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SUBJECT: VISIT TO US OF BULENT ECEVIT

REF: EAGLETON/BERGUS TELECON APRIL 21, STATE 027340,
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1. I HAVE CONTACTED FORMER MINDEF, HASAN ISIK, WHO HAS BEEN DESIGNATED BY ECEVIT AS RPP "CONTROL OFFICER" FOR PROJECTED US VISIT. OF CHOICE OF DATES I PRESENTED, ISIK SAID THE JULY 22-29 TIME FRAME APPEARED MOST DESIRABLE.

2. I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF DEPARTMENT COULD START SOONEST TO DEVELOP A PROGRAM FOR ECEVIT FOR WASHINGTON AND OTHER U.S. CITIES AS DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL, ECEVIT IS INTERESTED IN APPEARING, INTER ALIA, BEFORE EITHER OR BOTH THE NEW YORK COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS AND THE FOREIGN POLICY ASSOCIATION IN NEW YORK (HE UNDERSTANDS THE LATTER WOULD BE A MORE PUBLIC NEW YORK APPEARANCE THAN AT THE COUNCIL), THE CHICAGO COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS, AND THE NATIONAL PRESS CLUB IN WASHINGTON.

3. DEPARTMENT WILL ALSO RECALL ECEVIT IS MOST ANXIOUS TO MEET WITH PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY DURING WASHINGTON PORTION OF HIS VISIT. HE TOLD ME SOMEWHAT EARLIER HE WOULD NOT WISH TO COME UNLESS THIS WERE FEASIBLE.

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